

# Cascadia Chapter Meeting MINUTES

November 12, 2008 / 5:00 – 8:00 PM / RockSalt / Seattle, WA

## Attendees:

Andrea L. Ball (O-Sec)  
Tricia Butler (B)  
Laurie Dennis  
Gene Haba (B)  
Bill Hickey  
John Langer (O-Treas)

Blane Long (O-VP)  
Steven Paget (O-P)  
Ken Smith  
Marlo Stebner  
Jim Wixson

[O = Officer; B = Board Member]

- I. Welcome & Introductions
- II. Announcements
  - a. Holiday Party – Wednesday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at Pyramid Ale House in Seattle
  - b. Membership survey is still open.
  - c. CBA class looks likely in late January or February
  - d. Potential January Board meeting to focus on Chapter development
- III. Committee Reports
  - a. Membership / Outreach (Andrea and Hank):
    - i. The survey is open until the end of November. 24 responses to date – approximately 33% response rate. Preliminary results should be available in December.
      1. Preference is to set meeting calendar for the year and follow up with email reminders.
      2. A visual calendar on the chapter website would be helpful.
      3. Be sure to include a link to the web site in the email reminders.
  - b. Treasurer (John): \$4210 (rounded) in our account
  - c. Programming (Blane):
    - i. December – Holiday Party on the 10<sup>th</sup>
    - ii. January – Jim Wixson – preference for Seattle meeting location
    - iii. February onward is open. Contact Blane if you are interested in presenting. Remember that this is an easy way to obtain Share VM points.
- IV. Discussion items
  - a. Challenge: Steven challenged the Cascadia Chapter to produce five (5) CVSs in 2009. Andrea challenged in return that there be a commitment from the Chapter to support that effort.
  - b. Question regarding the lead time for the CVS exam. Laurie replied that is usually quite fast but that scoring may take a while. The fastest way to have the exam scored is at the SAVE conference. You only need to retake those sections you do not pass.
  - c. Laurie commented on her recent trip to China to establish a new international SAVE affiliate. They had nine (9) CVSs approved.
  - d. In requests from schools, the phrase “alternative approaches accepted” (regarding VE) is becoming more prevalent. Is this a threat to A/CSVs? It is a problem especially in a GC/CM situation, but good successes have been shown.

- e. Ken: SAVE could do a better job of providing guidelines for what language to include in RFPs regarding VE and how best to request these services. There is a need to educate agencies. Perhaps a template RFP for VE services could be placed on the websites (national and chapter). Jim: FAR examples could be included. Provide tie ins with DBIA and other groups. Rahul: NYC Chapter had very successful joint meetings with DBIA.
- V. Presentation: Rahul Nagalkar – How a Positive Attitude and a Willingness to Adapt an Agency Design Benefits Everyone
- a. Rahul presented a summary of the Maspeth Warehouse and Archive Facility value engineering study conducted in NYC.
- VI. Adjourn